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## **DETAILED ACTION**

### ***Election/Restrictions***

1. Claims 5, 10, and 14-19 have been withdrawn from further consideration pursuant to 37 CFR 1.142(b), as being drawn to a nonelected species, there being no allowable generic or linking claim. Applicant timely traversed the restriction (election) requirement in the reply filed on December 28, 2006.
2. In addition, claims 6, 7, 11, and 12 have been withdrawn because they are drawn to rotatably connected concentric interfacing ring as shown in figures 5 and 6.
3. Applicant's election with traverse of Group species III, drawn to figures 9-12 in the reply filed on December 28, 2006 is acknowledged. The traversal is on the ground(s) that i) it is unfair to the applicant because it will require the filing of additional divisional application; ii) the species are not independent and distinct; iii) it is not a serious burden of the examiner to search and examine each of species 1 through VII. This is not found persuasive because "the general test as to when claims are restricted, respectively, to different species is the fact that one claim recites limitations which under the disclosure are found in a first species but not in a second,

while a second claim recites limitations disclosed only for the second species and not the first. See MPEP 806.04(f).

The requirement is still deemed proper and is therefore made FINAL.

### ***Drawings***

4. The drawings are objected to as failing to comply with 37 CFR 1.84(p)(5) because they do not include the following reference sign(s) mentioned in the description: first set 34, second set 35 and front face 32a.. See page 10. Corrected drawing sheets in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121(d) are required in reply to the Office action to avoid abandonment of the application. Any amended replacement drawing sheet should include all of the figures appearing on the immediate prior version of the sheet, even if only one figure is being amended. Each drawing sheet submitted after the filing date of an application must be labeled in the top margin as either "Replacement Sheet" or "New Sheet" pursuant to 37 CFR 1.121(d). If the changes are not accepted by the examiner, the applicant will be notified and informed of any required corrective action in the next Office action. The objection to the drawings will not be held in abeyance.

***Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102***

5. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

6. Claims 1-4, 8-9, 13 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Longnecker, U. S. Patent 2,507,794.

7. With respect to claim 1, Longnecker teaches an identification device comprising a plurality of surfaces or discs 1-5 rotatably connected around axes at rivet 13, indicia in the form of numbers on disc 1, indicia in the form of the names of automobile manufactures on disc 2. Longnecker also teaches windows formed in discs 1-4 for selectively revealing subsets of the plurality of messages for persistent display, wherein the selected subsets of the plurality of messages may be changed to persistently display a different subsets of the plurality of messages.


8. With respect to claim 2, Longnecker teaches an aperture 16 to receive a wall rack hook.

9. With respect to claims 3, 4, 8, and 9, Longnecker teaches the disc or surface 4 having advertisement indicia "UTILCO PRODUCTS CO."
10. With respect to claim 6, Longnecker teaches disc or surface 1 and 2 are rotatably connected.
11. With respect to claim 13, the method limitations are inherent in the structure of the device taught by Longnecker.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Cassandra Davis whose telephone number is 571-272-6642. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday 8:00-4:30.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Lesley Morris can be reached on 571-272-6651. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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